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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated May 16, 2003 in which restriction has been required, Applicants hereby elect Group I, i.e., Claims 1-17 (in part) drawn to compounds, composition and a method of use for Formula (I) wherein components A and R³ are not forming a tricyclic core.

With regard to the election of species requirement, they elect component A = phenyl or naphthyl, as a single disclosed species in the invention of Group I.

Furthermore, as a working example which covers the elected species, they elect the compound of Example 27, i.e., 2',4'-dicyanobiphenyl-4-yl sulfamate (the compound of the formula (I) wherein R¹ and R² = H, R³ = H, and A=2,4-dicyanophenyl).

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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